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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of :
Jeffrey H. Blumenthal, et al. :
Serial No. 09/620,867 : Group Art Unit
Filed July 21, 2000 : P&G Case No. 8173
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS :
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

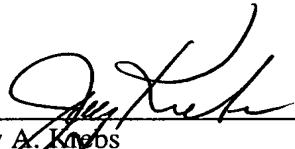
Dear Sir:

Prior to the First Office Action in the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendment be made in order to correct inventorship. Applicants mistakenly identified Jeffrey H. Blumenthal as the sole inventor whereas Jeffrey H. Blumenthal together with Michael Joseph Lamping jointly conceived and reduced to practice the claimed invention. It is important to note that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intent. In compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(a), the Applicants have provided a petition including a statement from the person being added as an inventor proclaiming that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part and an oath or declaration by the actual inventors as required by §1.63.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17(i) to Deposit Account #16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company.

Respectfully submitted,

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